or removed from the copy given to the U.S. person, provided that the information is not necessary to demonstrate that the transaction is authorized pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) This section does not authorize any transactions or activities with or involving persons whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to §542.201(a), other than the Government of Syria.

NOTE TO §542.513: See §542.510 for a general license authorizing the exportation or reexportation of certain items and services to Syria.

## § 542.514 Transactions related to U.S. persons residing in Syria authorized.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, individuals who are U.S. persons residing in Syria are authorized to pay their personal living expenses in Syria and to engage in other transactions, including with the Government of Syria, otherwise prohibited by this part that are ordinarily incident and necessary to their personal maintenance within Syria, including, but not limited to, payment of housing expenses, acquisition of goods or services for personal use, payment of taxes or fees to the Government of Syria, and purchase or receipt of permits, licenses, or public utility services from the Government of Syria.
  - (b) This section does not authorize:
- (1) Any debit to a blocked account of the Government of Syria on the books of a U.S. financial institution or to any other account blocked pursuant to §542.201(a);
- (2) Any transaction with a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to §542.201(a) other than the Government of Syria; or
- (3) Transactions or services ordinarily incident to operating or supporting a business in Syria, employment in Syria, or any new investment in Syria prohibited by §542.206.

## § 542.515 Operation of accounts authorized.

The operation of an account in a U.S. financial institution for an individual in Syria other than an individual whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to

§542.201(a), is authorized, provided that transactions processed through the account:

- (a) Are of a personal nature and not for use in supporting or operating a business:
- (b) Do not involve transfers directly or indirectly to Syria or for the benefit of individuals ordinarily resident in Syria unless authorized by §542.512; and
- (c) Are not otherwise prohibited by this part.

## § 542.516 Certain services in support of nongovernmental organizations' activities authorized.

- (a) Nongovernmental organizations are authorized to export or reexport services to Syria that would otherwise be prohibited by §542.207 in support of the following not-for-profit activities:
- (1) Activities to support humanitarian projects to meet basic human needs in Syria, including, but not limited to, drought relief, assistance to refugees, internally displaced persons, and conflict victims, food and medicine distribution, and the provision of health services;
- (2) Activities to support democracy building in Syria, including, but not limited to, rule of law, citizen participation, government accountability, and civil society development projects;
- (3) Activities to support education in Syria, including, but not limited to, combating illiteracy, increasing access to education, and assisting education reform projects;
- (4) Activities to support non-commercial development projects directly benefiting the Syrian people, including, but not limited to, preventing infectious disease and promoting maternal/child health, sustainable agriculture, and clean water assistance; and
- (5) Activities to support the preservation and protection of cultural heritage sites in Syria, including, but not limited to, museums, historic buildings, and archaeological sites.
- (b) U.S. depository institutions, U.S. registered brokers or dealers in securities, and U.S. registered money transmitters are authorized to process transfers of funds on behalf of U.S. or third-country non-governmental organizations to or from Syria in support of the activities authorized by paragraph